Community Radio Stations

539. SHRIMATI S.G. INDIRA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government had suggested that community radio stations be allowed to generate revenue through advertisements and sponsored programmes to make it a frangible preposition;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the Government had proposed several changes in the guidelines for community radio stations; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI PRIYARANJAN DASMUNSI); (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. The matter is under consideration by the Group of Ministers.

Constitution of Media Commission

540. SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any announcement regarding constitution of a Media Commission;

(b) if so, what would be the broad outlines of this commission; and

(c) what would be the mutual relation between the earlier proposed Broadcasting Regulator and the Media Commission?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI PRIYARANJAN DASMUNSI): (a) to (c) The proposal and its various aspects are under examination.

Review of laws

541. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Law Commission has laid hands on and has identified provision of any Central laws where defaults in carrying out any statutory requirements entail no penalty or punishment;

(b) if so, the details of such provisions identified by the Law Commission during the current year so far, and

(c) the steps taken or being taken to provide for consequential penalties?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI K. VENKATAPATHY): (a) and (b) Law Commission has not taken up specifically the study of the provisions of any Central Laws where default in carrying out any statutory requirements entail no penalty or punishment. However during the course of the study it came across such provisions on which Commission has made suitable recommendations in different reports:—

(i) Recommendations to make penal provision for failure to record information relating to a cognizable offence by a police official in its 152nd Report on Custodial Crimes.

(ii) Recommendations to make penal provision for violation of law prohibiting public servant requiring the attendance of young persons and of women in its 84th, 135th, 152nd & 172nd Reports

(c) Action on 84th Report has been completed; 135th & 152nd reconsidered by the Law Commission its 154th Report. 154th and 172nd Reports are under consideration of Ministry of Home Affairs.

Mobile Courts

542. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA:
SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA:
SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI:
PROF. M.M. AGARWAL:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up Mobile Courts to deliver Judgement on-the spot;

(b) if so, whether the relevant modalities have been evolved for this quick justice Dispensing Entity;

(c) whether the especially trained judicial personnel would be manning such courts or the existing man power Will form part of; and